

State of California

Department of Education

LAST MINUTE MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 8, 2004

TO: MEMBERS, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Sue Stickel, Deputy Superintendent
Curriculum and Instruction Branch

RE: Item No. 19

SUBJECT: *No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001: Reading First Special Education Referral Reduction Program Application Review Process*

The following changes should be made to the above-referenced item:

1. Definition of "students in need" on page 3 of 6 of Attachment 3 should read:
 - Borderline strategic students: K-3 students who are 1 to 2 standard deviations below the mean according to results of standardized testing.
 - Intensive students: K-3 students who are more than 2 standard deviations below the mean according to results of standardized testing.
2. Pull the chart on page 5 of 6 of Attachment 3.
3. Change the due date for submitting applications to CDE (Attachment 1, page 1 of 1, item 1) to November 15, 2004. Item 5 on the same page should also be changed to read: "Grants for districts with approved plans will be amended to up to \$8,000 per K-3 teacher by December 15, 2004."
4. A list of appropriate supplemental materials for use in this program will be brought to the Board for approval in November.